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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to recognize the 100th anniversary of the founding of St. John Missionary Baptist Church; and

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WHEREAS, In 1916, 11 people met with the purpose of organizing a Baptist church in Fireworks Station, now known as Centreville, and on March 17, 1916, a new church was formed; and

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WHEREAS, St. John Missionary Baptist Church serves the community through various outreach ministries that specialize in providing services that help people spiritually, culturally, educationally, and mentally; as a result, it was awarded former United States Senator William H. Danforth's "I Dare You" award; the award recognizes a religious congregation over a 4-year period for its community outreach efforts to the poor, homeless, elderly, and youth; and

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WHEREAS, St. John Missionary Baptist Church plans to continue to serve its community for the next 100 years with the same faith and determination that it has for the previous 100 years; and

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WHEREAS, The members of St. John Missionary Baptist Church

1 will celebrate the historic anniversary on March 20, 2016;
2 therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
5 recognize the 100th anniversary of the founding of St. John
6 Missionary Baptist Church and we wish it many more wonderful
7 years; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to St. John Missionary Baptist Church as an
10 expression of our esteem and respect.